## Community Relations Committee Judicial Conference of Indiana

## **Minutes**

August 26, 2005

The Community Relations Committee of the Judicial Conference of Indiana met at the Indiana Judicial Center on April 26, 2005.

- 1. **Members present.** The following members of the committee were present: Stanley Levine (chair), Blaine Akers, Robert Altice, Lorenzo Arredondo, Rosemary Higgins Burke, David Chidester, Susan Orth, John Price and John Sharpnack.
- 2. **Staff present.** Jenny Bauer and David Remondini provided assistance to the committee.
- 3. **Minutes approved.** The minutes from the April 2005 meeting were approved.
- 4. **IJA Awards.** The committee discussed the list of nominees for the 2006 Indiana Judges Association awards for community relations. The committee selected Ruthann Robinson (Northwest Indiana Times) and Frank Wiget (Valparaiso Post Tribune) and Judge Chris Monroe of Bartholomew Superior Court as the 2006 recipients. The award ceremony will be on September 15<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the IJA annual luncheon.
- 5. **Judges and Journalists workshop.** The committee discussed agenda items for the Judge/Journalist Workshop scheduled for October. Jenny Bauer informed the committee that the National Center for Courts and Media would be unable to provide a lunch speaker for the workshop. The committee discussed possible speakers. David Remondini stated that he knows a media lawyer and will contact her about being the lunch speaker.
- 6. **Bench/Media Guide Update.** Judge Altice reported that he and several other judges have been working with Steve Key, general counsel for the Hoosier State Press Association, to edit the draft sections of the Law/Media Guide. The Guide will be posted on the Supreme Court's website when completed.

Respectfully submitted,

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